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DX News

New IOTA groups announced

At the 2018 RSGB Convention it was announced a further 6 new IOTA groups would be added to the IOTA Directory. As follows:

EU-192 SM - Kataja Island (Finland/Sweden)

OC-297 FO - Morane Atoll (Tuamotu, French Polynesia)

NA-249 KP3 - Puerto Rico's Coastal Islands

NA-250 KL - Yakutat County Group, Coastal Groups (Alaska)

AS-204 R0F - Kuril'skiye Island North

AS-205 ROX - Bering Sea Coast East

ZD9CW Tristan da Cunha -update by PJ4DX

"I have just had a chat with Steve ZD9CW (G4EDG) on 15m SSB. He asked me to let DX outlets know that due to difficulties with the internet he is only able to upload his log to Club Log every other day.

He said he has been spending quite a lot of time on RTTY as there is where ZD9 is most needed. When I spoke to Steve he was running his IC-7000 barefoot as RF was getting into his logging computer when using the Tokyo Hy-Power amplifier.

Steve recently changed QTH on the island and at the moment has antennas for all bands from 15m to 40m. He said he would try to make an 80m inverted-L but the constant very strong wind makes this difficult".

The 3COW / 3C3W story

Follow the link below.

https://www.dropbox.com/s/lamf0v5kcvptjrs/Story%203C3W%203C0W.pdf?dl=0

TT8KO Chad -update October 18 13:30z by Ken, LA7GIA

LAST NIGHT I WAS INFORMED THAT A POLICE ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED PREVENTING ME FROM LEAVING CHAD, EVEN W/O EQUIPMENT. STATUS OF MY RETURN FLIGHT HAS CHANGED TO "OPEN". THE NORWEGIAN EMBASSY AND FOREIGN MINISTRY IS NOW WORKING ON THE ISSUE. I GET MANY EMAILS EVERY DAY FROM DXERS AROUND THE WORLD WITH KIND WORDS – IT KEEPS THE SPIRIT UP – THANKS! HOTEL STAFF ALSO VERY SUPPORTIVE. STILL WAITING.

DXCC

This week on HF

5H, TANZANIA Maurizio, IK2GZU will once again be operating as 5H3MB between October 24 and November 28 (mission for work in the Ilembula orphanage and hospital). Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via bureau, direct or Club Log OQRS.

5W, SAMOA Steve, WB2IQU will be active from Apia as 5W2IQ from October 18 until October 25. Activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct.

7Q, MALAWI Dan, K6ZO will once again be QRV as 7Q6M from Embangweni. QRV between October 23 and October 29 from 160 to 10 meter with an entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest. QSL via home call.

8Q, MALDIVES James 9V1YC and Wilbert PE7T are QRV as 8Q7YC and 8Q7PE. Operation until October 21 from 80 to 10 meter using mostly CW. QSL for 8Q7YC via W5UE, 8Q7PE via PE7T, bureau only.

CT3, MADEIRA ISL Helmut, DF7ZS will be QRV as CT9/call between October 23 and October 29. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB is included as CQ3W. QSL via home call, CQ3W via Club Log OQRS. http://df7zs.de

D4, CAPE VERDE Harald, DF2WO is once again operating as D44TWO in 'holiday-style'. QRV until October 21. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via M00XO.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA Haru, JA1XGI is operating as EA9/W1XGI until October 22. Operation on HF using CW and FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or via JA1XGI. **EI, IRELAND** Olivier, ON4EI, is back again in Ireland from 21 to 31 October 2018 to operate EI8GQB and EI7T during the CQ WW DX SSB contest (27-28 October). Having been first in Europe several times in the CQ WW WPX and CQ WW DX contests, Olivier recently won the title of world champion of the IARU World Championship contest 2018 (preliminary results) in the single operator, low power, all band, phone only category.

It is interesting to note that Olivier takes part in the contests using mainly green energy, based on solar panels and a wind generator, to activate his temporary 'Field-Day-like' antenna park composed of:

- Inverted L antenna 16mV / 24mH for 160-80m + 32 radials (20m).
- Inverted V dipole antenna for 160-80m-40m bands.
- $\frac{1}{4}$ wave vertical monopole for 40m + 16 radials (10m).
- 80m long beverage RX antenna East-West directional.
- Spiderbeam & Mosley TA33Jr antennas for 20/15/10m bands.
- 2 transceivers Elecraft K3 + P3 for SO2R 100W activation.
- 2*220Ah battery bank + 180W solar panel and 400W wind generator.

For these dates, please QSL EI7T via LOTW or via PA3249, his QSL manager: https://www.grzcq.com/call/PA3249 (direct or bureau).

You can meet him on the air or follow his one-man expedition on QRZ.com

FG, GUADELOUPE Philippe, F1DUZ is operating as FG4KH until November 7. Activity on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via home call, direct or bureau.

FH, MAYOTTE

FR, REUNION ISL

Willi, DJ7RJ informs that he is active from Reunion until October 27 and 1 week from Mayotte (October 29 – November 6). Operation on the low bands preferred. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

FJ, ST BARTS Thierry, F6CUK will be operating as FJ/call during October 21 and November 1. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log OORS.

FM, MARTINIQUE Hideto, JF2QNM will be operating as TO1J between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest the focus will be on WARC bands, CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

- **FR, REUNION ISL** Stephan, DL9HAL is active in 'holiday-style' as FR/call until October 27. QSL via M00XO.
- **HK, COLOMBIA** Lothar, DK8LRF is once again active as HK3JCL until March 2019 from Finca Ligia. Operation mostly in his evenings on 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- **JD1, OGASAWARA** Kazu, JD1BNA will be active from Hahajima Island from October 24 until October 28. Operation mainly on 160, 80 and 40 meter. QSL via JL1UTS, direct. **KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY** Bill W4WV/KG4WV and Al W6HGF/KG4HF are once again active until October 24. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital and with focus on 80 and 160. QSL via homecalls.
- **KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA** Uli, DL2AH is active from Ofu Island (OC-077) as WH8/call. Operation until October 29 in 'holiday-style' from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digital. QSL via home call.
- **OX, GREENLAND** Look for OX7A during the CQWW SSB contest from Kangerlussuaq. Outside the contest the team will sign as OX3LX, OX3LG, OX7AKT and OX7AM FROM October 23 until October 30. Operation on low bands, WARC and 60 meter. QSL via LoTW.
- **P4, ARUBA** P4/NN5E and P4/NT5V are active until October 19. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via homecalls or LoTW.
- **P4, ARUBA** Yuri, VE3DZ will again be operating as P40T from October 21 until October 31. Included is an entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest.
- **PJ4, BONAIRE** Scott, NE9U will be operating as PJ4/NE9U between October 20 and November 3. An entry during the CQWW SSB contest is included as PJ4G. QSL via home call, LoTW. PJ4G via WA2NHA.
- **PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Ed, N2HX will be active again as PJ7PL from October 20 until November 4. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Before and after the contest using RTTY, SSB and maybe FT8. QSL via home call.
- **PYOF, FERNANDO DE NORONHA** Members of the Noronha Contest Group will be active as PYOF from October 23 until October 29. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via PY7RP, direct, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.
- **S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE** Jorge, CT1BOL will be operating as S9CT between October 24 and October 29. Operation on HF in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log.
- **T8, PALAU** Shoji, JA6EGL is QRV as T88SM until October 24. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, direct.
- **TT, CHAD** Ken, LA7GIA is active as TT8KO until October 21. Ken says: Chad is ranked pretty high up worldwide on lower bands, even higher for NA west coast. It's been a few years since the last single-op activation, and some more years since a group activated this entity. A couple of single op operations are not valid for DXCC.
- The plan is to have the beam and dipoles high up about 25-30 meter. There are space for low band verticals and receiving antennas. Modes: CW (+ maybe SSB). No digi mode planned.
- **TU, IVORY COAST** Bertrand, DFFS will be QRV as TU5MH between October 20 and October 29. Operation on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW. **V4, ST KITTS** Clive, GM3POI will be operating in 'holiday-style' as V4/call between October 23 and October 30. Operation during the CQ WW SSB contest as V47X. QSL via M0URX.
- **VK9N, NORFOLK ISL** Joe N7BF, Everett W6ABM, Russell N7QR and Pete ZL2HM are operating as VK9BF, VK9EV, VK9QR and VK9PM. Activity until October 19. QSL via homecalls.
- **VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL** The UK's 6-Gs DXpedition Team is operating as VK9XG from Christmas until October 30. Operation from 160 to 10 meter with 4 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via G3TXF, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.
- http://www.6gs.org.uk/christmas-island-2018/

 VP6, DUCIE ISL The Perseverance DX Group announced their next DXpedition to Ducie Island (OC-182), Club Log's n°27 most wanted DXCC. A team of operators with UT6UD, DJ9RR, HA0NAR, HA5AO, K3EL, K5GS, N6HC, N6HD, N6WM, N6XG, PY2PT, W1SRD,

W2LK, W6AO and ZL3CW will be active as VP6D with seven stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes including FT8. Activity is scheduled between October 20 and November 3. http://vp6d.com/

VP8/SH, SOUTH SHETLAND Lee, DS4NMJ is active as DT8A from the King Se-Jong Korean Antarctic Scientific Base. Operation during his spare time until end December 2018. QSL via HL2FDW.

VP9, BERMUDA Dave K4AJA, Steve AA4V, Rick W4GE and Gay N4SF will be on the air from October 24 until October 29 from Felicity Cottage, Somerset, Bermuda, including a Multi-Two entry for the 2018 CQ Worldwide SSB Contest. Before and after the contest we will be using our own /VP9 calls, but using K4AJA/VP9 for the contest.

VP9, BERMUDA Look for VP9/N1SV and VP9/W1ZZ between October 24-28. During the CQWW DX SSB contest they will sign as VP9I. QSL via homecalls, BP9I goes via WW3S. **XT, BURKINA FASO** A Slovenian Team with S54W, S57L, S58Y, S59ZZ and S50A will be operating as XT2SZZ from Bobo Dioulasso between October 22 and October 30. QSL via S59ZZ.

YJ, VANUATU Stan LZ1GC and Lubo OM5ZW are QRV as YJ0GC until November 4. Activity nonstop from 160 to 10 meter with focus on low bands. QSL via home call. **ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA** Steve, G4EDG is active as ZD9CW until October 22. Operation from 40 to 15 meter using mainly CW and RTTY with some SSB. QSL via L7117.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Shige JH1GNU, Kaz JH1HRJ and Tack JE1SCJ are operating as ZL7X until October 22. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. Focus on low bands CW and all bands FT8. QSL via JA0VSH, direct or bureau, LoTW.

Coming up soon

5W, SAMOA

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA

Hiro JF1OCQ and Mark JJ1TBB will be operating as 5W7X and 5W0TB from October 27 until November 6. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. A side trip to American Samoa is planned as W1VX/KH8 and KH8C. QSL for all calls via JF1OCQ, direct or bureau, LoTW.

E4, PALESTINE Janusz, SP9FIH will once again be operating as E44WE between October 27 and November 11. QRV from 20 to 10 meter and maybe on the low bands using SSB and digi. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included. http://www.e4.dxpeditions.org/

FG, GUADELOUPE Look for FG/SM7RYR between October 27 and November 11. Operation in 'holiday-style' from Deshaies. QRV on 20 meter using CW only. QSL via LoTW.

FM, MARTINIQUE J6, ST LUCIA

Gerd, DL7VOG will be operating as FM/call between October 26 and November 2. As J68GU from November 3 until November 25. QRV on HF using RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, Club Log OQRS.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS Masa, JAORQV will be QRV from Majuro Atoll between October 26 and October 29. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. Callsign pending. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. https://blog.goo.ne.jp/rqv

YJ, VANUATU Chris, VK2YUS will once again be active as YJ0CA from October 25 until October 29. Active on 40, 20 and 15 meter. QSL via home call, direct.

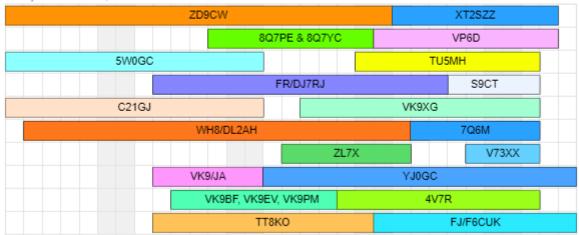
Z2, ZIMBABWE A team from 20 operators with Antonio IZ8CCW as leader and Gabriele I2VGW as co-leader will be active as Z23MD from October 26 until November 6. Focus will be on the low bands, WARC bands and digital modes. They will be active with 5 stations nonstop. http://www.mdxc.org/z23md/

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS Stan, K5GO will once again be operating as ZF9CW during late October to early December.

DXCC Timeline

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IOTA

This week on HF

ASIA

AS-128 Phu Quoc Isl AS-130 Con Son Isl

Bill, WA7WJR is operating as XV9WJR until October 27. QRV on 20, 15 and 40 meter using mostly CW with some PSK31 and SSB.

EUROPE

EU-057 Rugen Isl Volker, DL1WH is QRV as call/P until October 20. Activity on HF using mainly CW with some SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-008 Ellesmere Isl Once again, look for VY0ERC until November 10. Activity when time allows on 40 and 20 meter and possible 80 meter using CW, SSB and digital. **NA-047 Baffin Isl** Mike, VE2XB is operating as VY0BRR until end 2018. Operation during his spare time, mostly on 40 meter. QSL via home call.

OCEANIA

OC-129 Visayan Isl Bill, G0CXF is operating as DU7/call for a stay of 6 months on the Camotes Islands. Operation on 80, 40, 20 and 6 meter using SSB and PSK with a focus on Europe, USA, Australia and Canada.

Coming up soon

EU-192 Kataja Isl Members of the Invoker Team will be active from this new IOTA before the end of October. A team is assembled...More to follow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI From February 16 until March 5, 2019 a group of 6 operators will be active from Kanton Island as T31EU. The license is confirmed by CCK and they have permission from the Phoenix Island Protected Area (PIPA).

Operators: DL2AWG Guenter, DL6JGN Hans, DJ9RR Heye, DM2AUJ Wolf, DK5WL Joe and PA3EWP Ronald. Operating from 10-160m in the main modes CW, SSB, RTTY and some FT8. QSL via DL2AWG. Before and after the DXpedition we will be active from Tarawa T30, (holiday style).

T32, CHRISTMAS ISL Nobu, JA0JHQ will be QRV as T32NH from Kiribati. Operation between December 5 and December 11. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW and FT8. An entry in the ARRL 10m contest is included (Dec 8-9). QSL via home call. **VP6, PITCAIRN ISL** A large team of 14 operators will be operating in October 2019. Operation on all bands using all modes. More to follow.

YS, EL SALVADOR Tom, KCOW has approval for YS/call during January/February 2019. Focus on CW for Asia and Europe from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via home call.

THE REMINDERS

5R, MADAGASCAR Alex K2BB and Pavel UU0JR are looking for other ops to join them to form a team for a DXpedition to Nosy Be Island, AF-057. Period November 19-29, 2018.

Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. 5R8T requested but not yet confirmed. Contact Alex if interested... alex.k2bb@gmail.com

- **5R, MADAGASCAR** Andy OE7AJH and Thomas OE7KUT will be active from Antananarivo as 5R8UP between November 3 and November 13. Activity from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via OE7AJH.
- **5X, UGANDA** Alan, G3XAQ will be QRV as 5X1XA between November 17 and November 25. Activity primarily to enter CQWW CW on 20 meter. QSL via G3SWH.
- **7P, LESOTHO** Rune, LA7THAand team will be operating the first part of March 2019. Approx 10 days of operation with the focus on the low bands. More to follow.
- **8P, BARBADOS** A team with DK1BTn DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7DF, DL7KL, DL7UFR and SP3CVY will be QRV as 8P9AE during November 6 and November 20. Operation with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. http://www.dl7df.com/8p9/8Q, **MALDIVES** Braco, E77DX will be operating from Baa Atoll as 8Q7DX during November 10 and November 25. Operation from 160 to 10 meter with an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL via OE1EMS.
- **9Y, TRINIDAD & TOBAGO** Nick, VE3EY will be QRV as 9Y4/call during the CQWW CW Contest. Focus on the low bands and WARC before and after from November 19 until November 26.
- A3, TONGA Ronald PA3EWP, Martin PA4WM and Tom GM4FDM will be active as A35EU from the Heilala Lodge Resort, Tonga. They leave Europe on November 13 and will leave Tonga on November 27. They hope to operate three stations and use vertical antennas including VDAs. They will be attempting operations on 160 and 80m using inverted L type antennas. 60m is not included on the licence, but we will enquire about inclusion on arrival. CW/SSB and RTTY into Europe will be our main priority. We will use Elecraft K3s along with amplifiers, and have already constructed 2 element VDAs for 30 20 and 17m with verticals for 15,12 and 10m. 40 and 80m vertical raised and tuned radials, 160m will be Inverted L. QSL via GM4FDM, direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS Club Log. https://tonga.lldxt.eu/
- **C6, BAHAMAS** Brian, ND3F will be operating as C6AQQ from Nassau between November 24 and December 1. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. FT8 activity outside the contest. QSL via N3IQ.
- **CY9, SABLE ISL** THE CY0 DXpedition team with 7 operators will be active somewhere in 2019. It is rare on CW and a big effort will be made for this. More to follow.
- **E5, SOUTH COOK ISL** Hans-Martin, DK2HM will be operating from Rarotonga as E51HMK during March 2019. Full info to follow later...
- **E6, NIUE** Alex, 5B4ALX will be operating as E6ET between March 19 and April 2, 2019. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. http://www.5b4alx.cloud/e6et-niue-2019/
- **EL, LIBERIA** Col MMONDX and Jonathan MMOOKG plans to be active again as EL2EL during early November. Operation on various bands using SSB and FT8. More to follow. **FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Rich KE1B and Anna W6NN will be QRV as FO/KE1B between
- April 21 and May 3, 2019. Activity on 20 meter using FT8. QSL via KE1B, LoTW.
- **FS, SAINT MARTIN** Paul FS/K9NU, Marco FS4WBS, John FS/W9ILY, Mike FS/W9MK and John FS/K9EL will be operating between November 28 and December 7. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via homecalls, direct or bureau, LoTW and Club Log OQRS. http://www.k9el.com/SaintMartin2018/SXM2018.htm#Team
- **FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Nobby, G0VJG informs DX-World that he has plans to be active from Wallis Island early next year. Flights are already booked and callsign requested. In addition, he hopes side-trips to Futuna and Fiji will also be possible. Focus on Europe, SSB & FT8. Full info to follow in the coming months.
- HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL Team HD8M with Jim WB2REM, Bill W2WCM and David HC5DX will once again be QRV between February 27 and March 6, 2019. QSL via WB2REM, direct, Club Log OQRS and LoTW. http://www.hd8m.com/
- **J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB will once again be operating during his spare time as J88PI. QRV between May 7 and May 14, 2019 from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call.

- **J8, ST VINCENT & GRENADINES** A team with VE7NY, N7QT, KO8SCA, K7AR, VE7CT and VE7XF will be QRV as J8NY between November 21 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via VE7NY. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included.
- **P4, ARUBA** Frank, PH2M will be active in 'holiday-style' as P4/call between November 17 and November 29. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, bureau or direct, LoTW.
- **PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Tom, AA9A will once again be operating as PJ7AA from November 17 until December 8. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via home call.
- **T2, TUVALU** Next T2AR mini-DXpedition is planned for November 2018. Focus will be on low bands (including 160m), with QRO. QSL via 3D2AG (PayPal). Only paper logs used, no systematic LoTW. Digimode QSOs will be uploaded to QRZ.com after the expedition.
- **V4, ST KITTS** Gary, G0FWX will be active as V47FWX between November 7 and November 14. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via M0URX.
- **V6, MICRONESIA** Sho, JA7HMZ will once again be operating as V63DX from Pohnpei. Operation between November 19 and November 26. QRV from 160 to 6 meter with an entry in the CQWW CW contest as V6A. QSL via home call, direct only.
- **V6, MICRONESIA** Shuji, JA1FMN will be QRV as V63PSK from Weno Island (OC-011) between November 19 and November 25. Activity from 40 to 15 meter using FT8 and JT65. QSL via home call, logs on Club Log.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING VK9CH November 6-10

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL VK9XQ November 3-6, November 10-17

Michael, DF8AN will be QRV from 160 to 6 meter using mainly CW, RTTY and other digital modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Art WA7NB and John N2LK will be active as VP2EAB and VP2EJS from November 18 until November 26. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via homecalls.

VP2E, ANGUILLA Rich KE1B and Anna W6NN will be operating in 'holiday-style' as VP2EAQ and VP2EAR from November 19 until November 28. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digital. QSL via homecalls, LoTW.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT A group of hams from The Villages Amateur Radio Club in The Villages, Florida will be operating during the CQWW DX SSB contest under the call sign VP2MDG. Prior to and after the contest they will be operating from Montserrat using their own VP2M callsigns.

The team members are George, K2DM/VP2MDG, Dennis N0SMX/VP2MMX, Jim AL7BA/VP2MAL and Frank KA1AF/VP2MAF.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Rob M0VFC, Dan M0WUT and Dom M0BLF will be active as VP2MUW from November 17 until November 23. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB only. https://vp2muw.com

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, WJ2O will be operating as VP2V/call between November 21 and November 27. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Outside the contest is the focus on WARC bands. QSL via N2ZN.

XV, VIETNAM Mats, SM6LRR/RM2D will be active from Phan Tiet as XV9D between November 19 and December 1. Operation in 'holiday-style' with efforts for CQWW CW contest. QSL via LoTW.

XX, MACAO A large 15-man team will be operating as XX9D between February 11-26, 2019. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via DL4SVA, OQRS Club Log, LoTW. http://xx9d.mydx.de/

YJ, VANUATU Daniel, VK4AFU will once again be operating as YJ0AFU from Port Vila from December 25 until January 1, 2019. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digital.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Frank, K3TRM will be QRV as ZF2RM, dates not known yet. He specifically mentions Cayman Brac, therefore his call may change to ZF9/ZF2RM when operating from there.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Pete, K8PGJ will once again be QRV from Grand Cayman as ZF2PG between January 12 and January 20, 2019. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, LoTW.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

EUROPE

EU-192 Kataja Isl A team of 6 Swedish operators will be operating as 8S2K from this new IOTA. QRV in late May or first week of June. Transport to Kataja Island and lodging is confirmed with locals. There will be 4 stations active for 5 days, running full legal power and verticals. Sweden has today maximum 200 watts legal power, BUT permission for 1 KW is requested and will be used if permitted.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-004 Endicott Isl Rick, K6VVA will be QRV as KL7/call between November 8 and November 11. Activity on 40, 30 and 20 meter using CW with some SSB. http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na-004/

OCEANIA

OC-113 Maria Est Atoll OC-297 Morane Atoll

Cezar VE3LYC and Adrian KO8SCA will be active as TX0A from Maria Est and as TX0M from Morane between December 4 and December 18. OC-113 was operated from once, more than 28 years ago, and currently ranks #6 on the Most Wanted IOTA List, while OC-297 is a new IOTA reference. QSL via Club Log OQRS for both calls. https://tx0a-tx0m.weebly.com/

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-037 Banana Isl The famous team F6KOP will be active from Sierra Leon in either January or February 2019. More to follow. http://www.f6kop.com/2018/09/23/la-prochaine-expedition-de-f6kop-sera-en/

AF-045 Goree Isl A team with 6W1KI, 6W1PZ, 6W1QL, 6W7JX and others will be operating as 6V1A on December 7-9. Operation on HF using CW and SSB with 2 stations.

AF-078 Carabane Isl Alfredo, IK7JWX and team are planning a humanitarian DXpedition for 10 days in November 2018. Callsign is pending. More to follow. AF-111 Telengbe Isl Eric EL2EF, Col MMONDX and Jonathan MM0OKG will be operating as EL2EL/4 during early November 2018. AF-111 is a new IOTA, the activity is depending the weather and sea conditions.

ASIA

AS-173 Pamban Isl An Indian team led by VU3NPI will be QRV as AT4DK on November 3-4. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. More to follow. **AS-189 Shif Isl** After more than a year of hard work and with the great support of Iranian Amateur Radio League (CRA) Russian Robinson Club are glad to announce an IOTA/DXCC DXpedition to Shif Island AS-189 NEW as EP6RRC. Dates of activity: November 16-24, 2018. More on https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/ep6rrc

EUROPE

EU-112 Shiant Isles Col will be active as MS0INT from EU's 5th most wanted IOTA, dates to be confirmed...more to follow...

NORTH AMERICA

NA-013 Big Corn Isl Members of the Russian Robinson Club Yuri RM0F, Sergey R4WAA, Sergey RZ3FW, Yuri N3QQ and Elena RC5A will be active as YN4RRC, H7/RM0F, H7/R4WAA and H7/RC5A from November 26 until December 6. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW and SSB.

NA-057 Roatan Isl W1UE, K1XM and KQ1F will be operating as HQ9X during the CQWW DX contest (November 24-25). Before and after they will sign as HR9/calls. NA-122 Beata Isl A large team will be operating as HI1LT between January 20 and January 28, 2019. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via W2CCW.

OCEANIA

OC-025 Manus Isl

OC-153 Daru Isl

Derek G3KHZ, Hans SM6CVX and Eddy K5WQG will be operating from these 2 islands. Manus Isl from around 1200Z January 31 until February 5, 2019. QSL via SM6CVX. Daru Isl from around 1200Z February 6 until February 11, 2019. QSL via G3KHZ. Operation from 40 to 15 meter using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct or OQRS.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

EA, SPAIN Look for **EG1SIC** between October 20-27, this to mark the international film festival in Valladolid. An award will be available. QSL via EA1URV, direct or bureau. http://www.ea1urv.es/diploma-seminci.html

F, FRANCE Members of REF 63 are active with the call **TM63CDP** <u>until November 18</u>, drawing attention to the recognition of the Chaine des Puys as a World Heritage site. QSL via F6BDE.

THE REMINDERS

4K, AZERBAIJAN Look for **4K100W** by Vlad 4K9W <u>until end 2018</u>. This to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via DL6KVA.

5W, SAMOA Atsu, 5W1SA will be operating as **5W20SAMOA**, this to celebrate 20 years activity of 5W1SA, who already logged more than 100k QSO. QRV <u>during 2018</u>. http://df0che.darc.de/dm200lfs.php

DL, GERMANY Look for **DJ70WAE** (special DOK 70WAE) throughout 2018, this to mark the 70th anniversary of the Worked All Europe Award. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY DK200MARX (special DOK 200KM) celebrates Karl Marx's 200th anniversary <u>during 2018</u>. QRV on all bands and all modes. QSL via DK5PZ direct, Club Log OQRS.

DL, GERMANY DA200FWR (special DOK FWR200) draws attention to the 200th birthday of Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen, a German pioneer of forms of cooperative economy in the 19th century. His ideas and works were recognised by UNESCO as an Intangible Cultural Heritage in 2016. Operation <u>until end 2018</u>. QSL via bureau or via DK2PU direct.

DL, GERMANY The DARC club of Paderborn celebrates its 70th anniversary <u>during 2018</u> as **DL70PADER**. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Railway radio operators from Paderborn are celebrating their club's 50th anniversary as **DB50EFAPB** <u>during 2018</u>. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY Members of the ARC Hassberge are celebrating the 1000th anniversary of the town Zeil am Main. Operation as **DF1000ZEIL** <u>during 2018</u>. QSL via bureau. **DL, GERMANY** Special call **DM900ZWI** celebrates the 900th anniversary of the city of Zwickau. QRV during 2018. QSL via DM5JBN.

- **E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA** The Zajednica Radioamatera Herceg Bosne Association celebrates its 25th anniversary as **E725ZRHB** <u>until end 2018</u>. An award is available. QSL via E73Y. http://www.zrhb.org/
- **EA, SPAIN** The 'Universitat Autonoma Barcelona' is celebrating its 50th anniversary as **EH3UAB** until end 2018. Operation on HF using all modes. QSL via EB3GCP, direct or bureau.
- **EI, IRELAND** To commemorate the sinking of Royal Mail Ship Leinster during World War I (10 October 1918), special call **EI100MCV** is activated <u>until end 2018</u>, with particular activity in the weeks around the date of 10 October. This was, and still is, the single largest loss of life in the Irish sea with a total of 567 people lost. The intention is to use all modes and bands, operating on or close to frequencies ending with 18. QSL via the bureau.
- **EI, IRELAND** Look for **EI50AOM** <u>during the next months</u> to commemorate the Tuskar Rock Air Tragedy of 1968. QSL via EI2KA.
- **EW, BELARUS** Look for **EV890G** to celebrate the 890th anniversary of the city Grodno. Activity <u>until October 20</u>. An award is available. QSL via EW4R.
- **F, FRANCE** Philippe, F5PTA is active as **TM700NU** from Lyon (France) <u>until December 27</u>. The special call is in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly's adoption and proclamation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (10 December 1948). QSL via eQSL only.
- **F, FRANCE** Franck F4DTO and Patrick F4GFE are commemorating Napoleon's Battle of the Pyramids as **TM220BP** <u>until December 15</u>. For more information and days of activity see qrz.com. QSL via F4GFE, direct or bureau.
- **F, FRANCE TM62GG** is the call to mark the 100th anniversary of World War I. Operation from Meurchin, Pas-de-Calais. Operation <u>until December 2</u>. QSL via F4AHN, direct or bureau.
- **G, ENGLAND** Celebrating the centenary of the Royal Air Force, **GB100RAF** will be in use from various regions in England. QRV until <u>end March 2019</u>. QSL via G8FC, direct. http://www.rafars.org/raf100
- **G, ENGLAND** The Welland Valley ARS will host a number of special calls in 2018 to mark the end of World War I and in remembrance of the millions who were killed or wounded. 12 calls will be activated <u>during entire 2018</u>:

GB6FWW October

GB8GW November

GBOAD November 10-11 (Armistice Day)

See http://www.arz.com/db/GB1GW for QSL instructions and awards.

GM, SCOTLAND GR150NIB is the special call to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Royal National Institute of Blind People. Operation <u>until October 28</u> on HF using CW with some SSB. QSL via G3SWH OQRS and LoTW, logsearch on Club Log and G3SWH's website.

HP, PANAMA 3E1JT is the special call to mark the Jamboree on the air <u>in October</u>. QSL via HP1ALX.

- **I, ITALY** Look for **II2RR** <u>until end 2018</u> to mark the 70th anniversary of the first issue of RadioRivista, Associazione Radioamatori Italiani's monthly journal. QSL via IK2VUC.
- **I, ITALY** Ninety years ago the airship "Italia" crashed on the ice on its way back from the North Pole, and a small tent dyed red for maximum visibility was the only shelter for the survivors. Commemorating the role of radio (and amateur radio) in rescuing the Red Tent survivors, ARI Vigevano is active as **IB2RT** until October 20. QSL via I2MYF.
- **I, ITALY** Look for **IIOGM** by Giovanni I0KQB, this to commemorate G. Marconi. Activity during 2018. QSL via I0KQB, direct only.
- **I, ITALY** ARI Fidenza will use a number of special calls <u>during 2018</u> to honour 12 of 'the most eminent scientists who have given a fundamental contribution to the theoretical, experimental and technological development of the Radio Communications technology'

II40ER (Hans Christian Orsted) during October

II4HNR (Joseph Henry) during November

II4FRD (Michael Faraday) during December

QSL for all calls via IQ4FE, bureau or direct. For more information see http://www.arifidenza.it/

ISO, SARDINIA Simone, ISOAFM is using the special call **IROFOC** to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the First Class CW Operators' Club. Operation <u>until end 2018</u>. QSL via ISOAFM, direct or LoTW.

JA, JAPAN 8J20GAKI celebrates the 100th anniversary of Ogaki City <u>until February 28, 2019</u>. QSL will be sent automatically via bureau, direct goes to JJ2ONH.

JA, JAPAN 8N0400N is celebrating the founding of the city Nagaoka 400 years ago. Operation <u>during 2018</u>. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN 8J1KZ is celebrating the 70th anniversary of Kanazawa Ward on the air. Activity until end February 2019. QSL via bureau.

JA, JAPAN 8J4B is celebrating the construction of the Seto Ohashi Bridge 30 years ago. Operation <u>until November 30</u>. QSL via bureau.

LA, NORWAY Look for **LM90C**, **LM90HQ** and **LM90NRRL** throughout 2018 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Norsk Radio Relae Liga, the Norwegian IARU Society. QSL via bureau.

LZ, BULGARIA Once again, Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) is using 12 calls during 2018 to honour as many different Bulgarian saints:

LZ1545POA October

LZ33MM November

LZ532PSO December

All details for award and QSL via http://www.lz1kcp.com/

OE, AUSTRIA Austrian amateurs may use the prefix **OE100** <u>until November 13</u>. This to mark the 100th anniversary of the Austrian Republic.

OH, FINLAND OG60F is the special call to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the radio club from Pori. Activity <u>during 2018</u>. For more info see

http://teljanradioamatoorit.dy.fi/?OG60F

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC

OM, SLOVAK REPUBLIC

The special event station **OL100CSR** and **OM100CSR** are celebrating the founding of Czechoslovakia 100 years ago. QRV <u>until October 31</u>. An award is available as well. QSL for OL100CSR via OK1MP (d), bureau, Club Log OQRS. OM100CSR via OM2FY (d/B), Club Log OQRS.

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC To achieve the Centenary Award contact in October (1. - 31. 10. 2018) all Czech Special Stations **OL100A**, **OL100C**, **OL100E**, **OL100N**, **OL100R**, **OL100S**, **OL100T**, **OL100Y**. Any HF band, any mode (CW, SSB, DIGI) counts. The suffix letters form the words RCS CENTENARY. Any missing suffix letter from A-C-E-N-R-S-T-Y can be replaced by a QSO with one or both joker stations OL100RCS or OM100CSR. Both jokers can be used but each does count only once.

The Award is in electronic form (PDF file), free of charge. https://ol100.okdxf.eu/
OM, SLOVAK REP OM80PAR is the special call to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the city Partizanske. Operated by members of the Radioklub KAPA until end 2018. QSL via OM3PA.

OM, SLOVAK REP Members of the radio club Horec will be operating as **OM75TESLA** to commemorate Nikola Tesla's death 75 years ago <u>until end 2018</u>. QSL via OM3KHT, direct or bureau.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The 11 Cities Marathon will be held <u>during entire 2018</u> to celebrate the city of Leeuwarden, European Capital of Culture for 2018. Look for **PF2018WOR** (Workum) October

PF2018STA (Stavoren) November

All cities during December

QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via PA0MBD. A number of awards will be available. http://hamecc2018.eu/

S5, SLOVENIA S590RTVS is operating <u>until end 2018</u> to celebrate 90 years of radio and 60 years of television shows broadcasting by Radiotelevizija Slovenija, the country's national public broadcasting company. All QSO will be confirmed automatically, LoTW.

SP, POLAND The 100th anniversary of Poland's independence is celebrated with the following callsigns <u>until November 11</u>: **SN100L, SN100JH, SN100S, SN100RD, SN100RB, SN100JP, SN100IP, SN100PS** and **SN100ID**.

https://pzk.org.pl/print.php?type=N&item_id=4248

SP, POLAND Another activity to celebrate 100 years of Poland's independence is **SP100PAZ**, active <u>until the end of the year</u>. QSL via bureau, LoTW.

SP, POLAND The town Wolcieszow (WW Loc. JO70xw, SPPA D-ZT, PGA ZT01) was founded 750 years ago. This is celebrated with the call **SO750W** <u>until the end of the year</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL.

YB, INDONESIA YB46SEA is the special call during the 46th SEANET Convention held in Yogyakarta. Operation <u>from October 18 until October 21</u>. More on https://seanet2018.orari.or.id/